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Student organizations in colleges of University of Delhi are few and those that do exist are usually little more than on paper. Most of the colleges have a student union, which corresponds to a student council in US universities. The student union is a going concern and is an exception to the usual disinterest in school organizations. Clubs for entracurricular activity suffer from the inherent disinterest of the Hindu in group projects. My college has attempted to start language clubs in the classics and in public speaking. The first few meetings are well attended and then attendance drops off to naturing. An older the factor hampering such clubs is the preferred living cohelile followed by Hindu at decree which results in a late dinner tour followed immediately by tettrement.

- 2. The student union at Nirmala College of University of Pelti staged a strike in December 1952 against the college administration demanding a revision of the union constitution. Union members demanded that they be given complete control over administration of the college and that handling of the annual government stipend given the college for partial defrayment of expenses (25 thousand rupees) be turned over to their jurisdiction. The faculty of Nirmala College is resisting efforts to take administrative control away from them. Though the strike was called off shortly the demands still stand. St Staphens College of University of Delhi, run by Union of India (Anglican) has steadfactly refused a stident union charter and no which exists. Students there are satisfied without one. Indian college students have been assessing themselves of late more as an overentification endorsement of the freedom of India from the Ray tray anything else. I to not believe that Communist agitation is the great factor. Young Shindia delight in blast and or ordering people around if they think that they can get away with it.
- 3. Indian secondary schools are the weak link in the eliminational system. The British established few and, instead, relied on sending obtilize back to the UK for that phase of their education. Therefore, the Indiana inherited little in secondary school facilities. Colleges of University of Dahl have been obliged to offer at least one year preparatory school work to entering students in order to qualify them for college level work.

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- 4. Beginning in 1955 an entrance examination in Hinda language will be required of all applicants. At the present time all teaching is being conducted in English. Very likely Hindi will not replace English as the latter is spoken generally throughout the country. More likely, Hindi will be a second language at best.
- 5. Communist propaganda in New Delhi is disseminated mostly by lectures and sale of books. Some professors of the University have guest lecturers from the Soviet and Chinese Embassies who promote such themes as Asia for the Asians, and the interest of the USER in that cause. Newsboys sell well bound translations of the better Russian books for as little as one rupee. Such works are usually those of the best 19th Century Russian authors. College students are attracted by the price and the authors and buy the books readily. Bussian nationalism is being promoted more than Communism.

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